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Claims 1-7 (canceled).

(hydroxymethyl)-2-cyclopentene of the formulae

Claim 8 (currently amended): Process for the preparation of (1S,4R)- or (1R,4S)-1-amino-4-

$$NH_2$$
 HO

or salts thereof and/or of (1S,4R)- or (1R,4S)-1-amino-4-(hydroxymethyl)-2-cyclopentene derivatives of the general formulae

or salts thereof, in which X and Y are identical or different and are an acyl group or H, with the exception of X = Y = H, comprising the racemate resolution of racemic aminoalcohol of the formula

by chemical means using D-(-)- or L-(+)-tartaric acid an optically active-tartaric acid.

Claims 9-13 (canceled).

Claim 14 (withdrawn): (1R,4S)-1-Amino-4-(hydroxymethyl)-2-cyclopentene D- or Lhydrogentartrate. Claim 15 (withdrawn): (1S,4R)-1-Amino-4-(hydroxymethyl)-2-cyclopentene L- or D-hydrogentartrate.

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